

<p align="center">IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</p>	<i>Application Number</i>	09/980,585
	<i>Filing Date</i>	4 December 2001
	<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Esa-Matti LILIUS
	<i>Group Art Unit</i>	Unassigned
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	<i>Attorney Docket No.</i>	2328-124
<p><i>Title of the Invention:</i> A METHOD TO ENABLE ASSESSMENT OF GROWTH AND DEATH OF MICRO-ORGANISMS</p>		

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing Requirements, response copy attached, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING:

Please replace the originally filed Sequence Listing with the substitute Sequence Listing attached hereto.

REMARKS

The Sequence Listing has been revised in view of the inability of the programs to correctly number and accept a nucleic acid sequence which contains more than one coding sequence. Consequently, each sequence originally identified as "CDS" in SEQ ID NO:1 of the original Sequence Listing have been relabeled as "gene" to prevent any errors with the Checker software. The proteins encoded by these "genes" are set forth in SEQ ID Nos:2-4 as in the original Sequence Listing. The substitute Sequence Listing contains no new matter and its entry is requested.

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